

REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action mailed January 29, 2007. At the time of the Office Action, Claims 1, 2, 6, 22-26, 29, 30, 32-36, 61, 62, 64, and 66-133 were pending in this Application. Claims 82-133 were rejected. Claims 3-5, 7-21, 27, 28, 31, 37-60, 63, and 65 were previously cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claims 1, 2, 6, 22-26, 29, 30, 32-36, 61, 62, 64, and 66-81 are allowed.

Claims 82-133 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and favorable action in this case.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 82-89, 91-102, 104-115, and 117-120 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 6,670,586 issued to Mats O. Ingemanson et al. ("Ingemanson") in view of U.S. Patent 3,668,371 issued to Millard E. Fry et al. ("Fry") and U.S. Patent 6,348,676 issued to Yang Kyeong Kim et al. ("Kim").

Claims 90, 103, and 116 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Ingemanson in view of Fry, and Kim as applied to Claims 82-120, and further in view of U.S. Patent 6,654,549 issued to Masanori Konishi ("Konishi").

Claims 121-133 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Ingemanson in view of Fry, Kim, and Konishi, as applied to Claims 90, 103, and 116, and further in view of U.S. Patent 4,481,404 issued to Charles E. Thomas ("Thomas").

Applicants cancel Claims 82-133 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Change of Correspondence Address

Applicants respectfully request that all papers pertaining to the above-captioned patent application be directed to Customer No. **31625** and all telephone calls should be directed to Joseph Uradnik at 512.322.2562.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's consideration and indication that Claims 1, 2, 6, 22-26, 29, 30, 32-36, 61, 62, 64, and 66-81 are allowed. Applicants have canceled the rejected claims, 82-133. Applicants believe this application is in condition for allowance and request favorable action thereon.

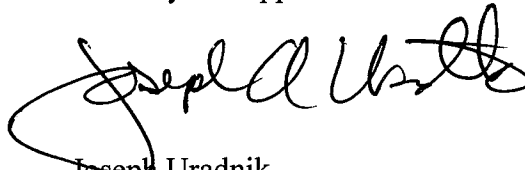
CONCLUSION

Applicants have made an earnest effort to place this case in condition for allowance and to speed issuance of a patent. Applicants respectfully request favorable action in this case.

Applicants believe there are no fees due at this time, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees necessary or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2148 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

If there are any matters concerning this Application that may be cleared up in a telephone conversation, please contact Applicants' attorney at 512.322.2562.

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